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Subj: (1) Microsoft Settlement
(2) ?Don?t kill the Golden Egg that hatched the Goose!?

Myself and many other Small Businesses around the United States cannot help but be appalled at the Political circles that are kowtowing to AOL-TIME WARNER CONGLOMERATE, Sun Micro Systems and others. Please take the time to read my feelings, as well as the feeling of many others. The 9 States are attacking and litigating Microsoft, just as they did the Tobacco Companies. After the full litigation was over in Florida, for Example, the purpose for which the Litigants (the states lawyers sued for), not one RED CENT has been expended for those with Tobacco related illnesses. I know, I had an Uncle, Charlie Hay, who passed away in Dade County, Florida November 6, 2001 with CPD (Chronic Pulmonary Disease) from Smoking, and he was fortunate to have Family members take care of him! This is a farce of the highest order.

The American Public is sincerely becoming fed up with all these activities at the expense of the State & Local Tax payers. Also, many of us Computer users, Prior to Microsoft Windows Operating Systems and Office Applications, found the Computer environment was very unfriendly, and Apple had a monopoly of the Windows ICON type programs. Microsoft innovated a way to make regular Pc?s act like Apple computers. This opened up the market for many PC manufacturers and the information industry.

Please refer to the following URL,
http://www.microsoft.com/freedomtoinnovate/info/ms_schumer_response.asp

This is a letter I just read to Senator Charles Schumer of New York, who it appears, is on the take from AOL-Time Warner and others who oppose any efforts by Microsoft to improve the ease of use of the windows operating system. He has been holding meetings with the Opponents of MICROSOFT Corp. in an effort to prevent them from doing their business. If this is allowed to continue, none of us in business in the United States are safe from these "Left Hand Liberal Wingnuts Socialists".

Microsoft has developed their software to the point where the entire world

can communicate. My little company, Holland Signal, Inc.
<http://www.holland-signal.com> <<http://www.holland-signal.com/>> , is able to communicate with our customers? worldwide on a Peer-Peer level that is un-paralleled in the History of the world. We have been using Microsoft, and other Software products of theirs, as well as other software Providers for over 15 years now. And they have steadily improved my companies operations tremendously, at a very affordable price.

My customers and Associates in Brazil, Venezuela, Peru, Chile, Panama, Argentina and other locations in South America, France, Belgium, Holland, Ireland, Northern Ireland and Great Britain, as well as Australia, New Zealand, Korea and South East Asia, and not to mention some 50 plus of my Extended family members can all communicate with me via the Internet and Microsoft Office Documents, MS Outlook (my scheduler and Internet Client), MSN Messenger, Net Meeting and a many other software systems and sub-systems, such as Adobe Acrobat and other Adobe products. All of my Foreign Clients and Associates marvel at the stupidity of our government allowing these attacks upon Microsoft. They cannot believe a National Asset, such as Microsoft is under such continuous attack. And, Microsoft is a National Asset. Stick your heads into any office near you and inquire as to the preference of their Software on their computer, and which one they use the most. You will find out very quickly, our Industries run predominantly on Microsoft. The reason is simple. It is easy to use, and it has commonality across the USA and the world, thanks to Microsoft "we have Compatibility".

It is time to call a halt to these Un-American Acts. It is to the point that I would welcome a return to the 1950s' when we had the house Un-American Activities committee, which would investigate these shenanigans. These Clinton and Schumer types, we have become fed-up with. And I have a lot of friends in the Elks, Moose, American Legion, D.A.V. and other organizations, to which I belong, who just can't believe this type stuff is allowed to continue.

Please let our feelings be known. Please ?Don?t kill the Golden Egg that hatched the Goose!?

Sincerely,

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